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OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Saturday 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
closed on Statutory Holidays

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM year in advance.

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by appointment

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel 8:30 AM Rosary in the church

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We encourage you to spend some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel, anytime, day or night.

SACRAMENTS BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Cathoic call the office for more information.

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one vear in advance.

MINISTRY TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, in the hospital, or in a local nursing home so that we can minister to them.

FUNERALS

Please contact us and your choice of funeral home. For information on Catholic burial, please contact the cemetery office at 905.522.7727 or 1.800.661.5985, or visit www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca

PARISH SCHOOLS

- Assumption High School 905.634.1835
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See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

The Diocese of Hamilton HamiltonDiocese.com Catholics Come Home www.CatholicsComeHome.org Vocations www.HamiltonVocations.com

Monday, March 20 at 9:00am Ints. Rev. George Rybansky

Tuesday, March 21 at 9:00am †Mary Germann

Wednesday, March 22 at 9:00am Ints. Alizée Plach

Thursday, March 23 at 9:00am
Ints. Tom & Lee Olds; Ints. Mercy Tirmson;
Ints. Chris Noon; Ints. Doris Zammit;
Ints. Assumption High School Staff;
†Karl Plach; †Joseph Lawlor; †Peter Brady

Friday, March 24

9:00am Ints. Sam Stenekes 6:30pm †Tricia Josephine Walker

Saturday, March 25 5:00pm

†Antonia Mazon-Caubet; †Anton-Emilia-Mazan; †Bulai Family; †Gzik Family; †Frank Sicoli; †Lucie Jennings; †Myrthes C. Ribeiro; †Eduardo Ribeiro

Sunday, March 26

9:00am For Our Parishioners 11:00am †Otilia Taguiam

Please pray for:

Sam Stenekes Vincent Stanford Paul Wayland Wendy Bonenfant

Marwan & Yasmeen Alhasan

Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

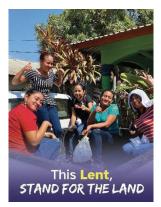
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Envelopes (127) \$3,209 Loose \$528 Building Fund (58) \$1,373 Holy Cross Formation (47) \$895 Thank you for your generous support

INTO LIFE YOUTH GROUP (GRADE 8 TO 12): The next meeting of the Into Life Youth Group will be on Sunday, April 2nd, in the parish Center from noon to 1:15pm. Come join youth on the journey of Into Life series to share respect and love for life. Light refreshments served.

AID FOR SYRIA AND TURKEY: Thank you to so many of our parishioners who have generously contributed to the Syria and Turkey Earthquake Relief Fund. This special diocesan collection will continue throughout Lent. Dedicated envelopes for the collection are available in the lobby of the church. Place your envelope in with any regular weekend collection during lent. Please make any cheques payable to St. Raphael Parish.

PIVOTAL PLAYERS: Continuing on March 22nd at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall, we will embark on the fourth week of Bishop Robert Barron's 6-week journey to unlock the truth behind some of the most influential people of the Catholic Church. You'll enter into *Flannery O'Connor's* shocking, convoluted, funny, violent, and profoundly influential stories. Each evening will consist of a DVD viewing, followed by a brief discussion and run from 7:00pm until 8:30pm at the latest.



Standing for the Land in Honduras Honduras's diverse ecosystems, fertile lands and rich natural resources attract many profiteering enterprises that overexploit the land to no benefit for local communities.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada supports *Equipo* de Reflexión, Investigación y Comunicación (ERIC, Reflection, Research and Communication

Team), an organization that helps communities in their struggle for land and territory and investigates human rights abuses.

This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Elvin Hernández, a human rights investigator at ERIC. Learn more at https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/stand-for-the-land/

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: St.

Raphael Social Justice/Development and Peace committee welcomes new members! Join the team and help to put Jesus' words into Action! For further information on Development and Peace or to join the St. Raphael Parish Development and Peace /Social Justice Committee please contact: Cecilia Racine: cecilia racine@hotmail.com (there is an underscore between first and last name) Or Lorene DiCorpo: lmidicorpo@gmail.com

FUNERAL LUNCHEON COMMITTEE: The Funeral Luncheon Ministry is in need of volunteers. Positions for phoning, set-up, serving and cleanup need to be filled. If you can spare an hour to three hours, on occasion, please consider this ministry. For more details, please call Marlene Cox: 905-634-0733.

YEAR OF PRAYER: 2022 -23

Lent Schedule

FRIDAY EVENINGS

6 30pm - Stations of the Cross 7pm - Mass

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 1, Mass at 5pm Sunday April 2, Mass at 9am and 11am

HOLY WEDNESDAY – April 5 6pm – Tenebrae Service

HOLY THURSDAY -April 6 6pm – Soup Supper 8pm - Mass

GOOD FRIDAY – Friday, April 7 12 noon – Solemn Liturgy of the Word 3pm – Solemn Liturgy of the Word 6:30pm Stations of the Cross Enactment

HOLY SATURDAY – Saturday, April 8 11am – Blessing of the Food 8pm – Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY – Sunday, April 9 8:30am - Mass 10am – Mass 12 noon - Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Friday evening during lent at 6:30pm we will have the stations followed by mass at 7pm.

Altar Servers, Youth Group a March 24

& Young Adult Group

Development and Peace & March 31 **SSVP**

On April 7, Good Friday, we will have the dramatization of the stations at **6:30pm**.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GATHERING MARCH 19TH AT NOON:

Let's Think Spring and get excited about flowers! Hear the good news about the Unity project and celebrate the feast of St. Joseph.

All women welcome. Meet us in the St. Francis room. Light refreshments served. (Contact Leony at 289-795-1559 for questions). We look forward to you joining us.

PASTORAL LETTER FOR THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH: Please read the pastoral letter from his Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, for the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary on March 19. 2023. The letter is available on the diocesan website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/letters/ or in our parish welcome area.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: We will have First Reconciliation in our church on Monday March 20th and **Tuesday March 21**st at **7pm** for all grade 2 students who will celebrate their first communion this year at our parish.

LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE: Are you concerned about the expansion of Medical Aid in Dying in Canada? Want to learn how to better support someone making an end of life or pregnancy decision? Do you know the warning signs of human trafficking? Do you struggle to talk to your kids about tough life issues topics?

Come learn at Halton Alive's Life Talks Conference: an inperson event featuring Canadian leaders, experts and advocates for life. Discover the education and inspiration you need to become a more effective ambassador for life by attending Life Talks. Register today!

Date: March 25

Cost: \$40 Adults/\$20 Students

(lunch & refreshments included)

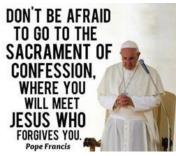
Location: St George's Church,

4691 Palladium Way, Burlington

Details and registration: www.haltonalive.ca/lifetalks or call/text Elea 905-632-3232

Year of Prayer 2023 – March Sacrament of Reconciliation

During this year of Prayer, during this month of March, we invite you to reflect on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. season of Lent may be a time of Renewal of our commitment to the Gospel values and turn away from



the sinful inclination of the world. Let us keep awake and wake up in the Lord, so we can live as brothers and sisters in justice, peace and love. In a concreate way, I invite you to take time to reflect on the sacrament of Reconciliation and to take opportunity to go to confession or spiritual direction.

THE WORD OF GOD: THE BIBLE PROJECT:

During this season of Lent, we encourage you to read the Bible. We have a Bible Project Sheet available for



you if you would like to take the challenge to read the Bible in 4 months. It takes 72 hours to read the Bible, you can do it at your own pace. You can fill out the Registration Form and take the Bible Reading Sheet available at the entrance. For more information, please contact Fr. Wilson Andrade or email the office.



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